

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: §
Mark Leslie Smythe and §
Wim Denis Frans Meutermans § Confirmation No. 8048
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Serial No.: 09/787,840 § Examiner: Chih Min Kam
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Filed: July 6, 2001 § Group Art Unit: 1653
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For: AUXILIARY FOR AMIDE BOND § Attorney Docket Number: 36677.8
FORMATION § (formerly 4050.001100)
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1. AMENDMENT; 2. RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION DATED MAY 25, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendment. A response to the Official Action in the present application, dated May 25, 2006 ("the Action"), for which the first date for response was August 25, 2006, is also submitted, and the Examiner is requested to consider the remarks therein. A Petition for an Extension of Time of two months to and including October 25, 2006, which is within the statutory period for reply, is included to render the amendment and response timely submitted.

Applicants believe that the present materials place the claims in condition for allowance, and re-examination and reconsideration is respectfully requested on this basis.

Should any fees be deemed necessary for any reason in connection with the present submission, including the Extension of Time Fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any necessary amounts from Deposit Account No. 08-1394, Order No. 36677.8.